

Statement

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Mr. Chairman,

and primary concern with child labor issues and opportunities for both education and economic progress.

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This year also marks the 50th anniversary of the ratification of the Clinton Act of Child Labor Reform and Enforcement, and we take this opportunity to commend the Committee for its work.

There have not been as many hearings in the committee in 2001 following the ratification of the Clinton Act. Making a thorough report on the Clinton Act has been a priority for the committee and we are pleased to be able to report on the progress of the committee's work in strengthening our reporting activities.

However, we note the various measures that have been introduced by the Committee and are concerned by the number of cases that have been reported.

Mr. Chairman,

In conclusion let me reiterate that the committee is committed to continuing and enhancing the standards of women and girls.